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Grand Lodge of Alberta

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This Certifies that Brother

was admitted a member of this Lodge by

on the day of 19

In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal
of our Lodge this day of 19

N. G.

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PREFACE

TO

CONSTITUTION FOR SUBORDINATE LODGES IN ALBERTA

ODD FELLOWSHIP having increased so rapidly and spread its organization within a few years far and wide over the civilized world has naturally attracted the attention of nearly all classes of the community.

Less than a century has passed since the organization of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was launched upon its mission of humanity; and in that time its membership has increased by leaps and bounds until now among its votaries there are more than two million citizens of this great continent, bound each to each by the ties of common brotherhood. FRATERNITY—that is the very being of Odd Fellowship.

Such rapid growth cannot be ascribed to mere accident or novelty. Nay, it has been solely because of the Order's adaptation to the wants of mankind—the uplift of human character and the spread of good-will among men.

The great duties of our Order by and through which we aim to improve and exalt the character of our members are five in number: 1st, TO VISIT THE SICK; 2nd TO RELIEVE THE DISTRESSED; 3rd, TO BURY THE DEAD; 4th, TO EDUCATE THE ORPHAN; 5th, TO AID THE WIDOW. And in obedience to these commands over six millions of dollars have been expended during the year 1911 for these noble purposes. Yet, Odd Fellowship is not a mere beneficial society having for its single purpose

the relief of its members in the struggles incident to human society. It seeks to improve and elevate the character of man—to imbue him with proper conceptions of his capabilities for good, to enlighten his mind, and to enlarge the sphere of his affections. It therefore commends itself alike to the high, the low, the rich and the poor, as one of the noblest charities the world ever saw.

The principles of Odd Fellowship are those of humanity and religion; its object is to promote the general good of mankind, and spread abroad the light of morality and knowledge; it not only benefits the common cause of philanthropy, but insures to its members in the hours of adversity and tribulation a source of safety and comfort that none can destroy.

The ties that bind us together are never surrendered; our claims of brotherhood are only dissolved by death,—no, not even death can rend them—they descend to the widow and orphan.

The language of our Order is more potent than any strain of eloquence that ever fell upon the ear. A stranger penniless and friendless in a foreign land breathes its tones, and his necessities are relieved. Sickness comes and lays its paralyzing hand upon him, and though no friend or relative be near, a Brother of the "Mystic Tie" administers to his wants and relieves his distress. The sick among our own brethren are not left to the cold hand of public charity; they are visited and their wants provided for out of the funds to which they themselves have contributed, and which in time of need they can honorably claim without the humiliation of suing for public or individual relief, from which the free-born mind recoils with disdain until over-

whelmed in insufferable want and misery. We are obliged, if need be, to perform the last solemn office to the remains of a departed brother, to see them consigned with respectful decency to the bosom of our mother earth. To the living our fraternal solicitude is no less exercised. It is our enjoined duty to watch over the conduct of brethren, even in their common intercourse with men, as well as one with another; and to remonstrate with those who wander from the paths of rectitude or trespass upon the rules of morality.

It has been said that ours is a secret Order, and that secrecy is dissonant with innocence. True it is that we are in part a secret society; but is secrecy a crime? The world itself, the universe, the God of eternal truth are surrounded with an impenetrable veil that no mortal eye ever pierced; and shall it be denied that these do not exist because their secrets are not revealed at our bidding? Shall we pronounce them evil because their operations are hidden from our view and above our comprehension?

So far as secrecy being an objection to our Order we claim it as a recommendation. It is the mystic tie that binds us together in indissoluble brotherhood, prompting us to deeds of brotherly love and benevolence; it comes and entwines itself around our fraternity like the refreshing yet invisible breeze that at summer noontide fans our burning forehead, invigorating the system with its coolness, and gladdening our hearts with its freshness and purity. In this respect we have the sanction of ages. We challenge any one to point out a single nation of people whose career is sketched on the pages of history among whom there did not exist secret institutions. To go

further, there is not an enlightened government now existing on the face of the globe that does not permit its legislative council to resolve themselves in secret conclave. Even in our own country, under our own constitution, the legislative bodies can close their doors and sit for days, for weeks, for months, concerning measures of vital importance to the entire population, and should any member of that body dare to reveal its operations he would subject himself to the severest censure, if not to expulsion.

To be initiated as a member of our Order is not, as many suppose, "to take a leap in the dark." The fundamental principles of the Order are before the world; its deeds are not concealed from public scrutiny; while the Constitution and Laws of our society are within the reach of all who wish to examine them. But there are mysteries within the inner veil of our altars that none except members of the fraternity are permitted to behold; solemn and sublime truths are there inculcated that have never reached the ear of any save those who have proved themselves worthy of the sacred trust. They have remained there for our temple—and have crossed its portal; and ages—hallowed archives in the sanctuary of there, we hope and pray, they will ever remain, unsullied, inviolate and untarnished.

Our Order is the handmaid of virtue and religion, and it must flourish. It calls into life and action the best and holiest feelings of our nature and success must crown our efforts. Our course is onward, and we may look forward with confidence to a day, not far distant, when our society shall find its abiding place in every village and hamlet in our land, and the smoke of our altars shall go up from a thousand hills.

Constitution

FOR

Subordinate Lodges

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA
I. O. O. F.

PREAMBLE

For the purpose of ensuring, as much as possible, uniformity in the administration of the privileges, honors and benefits of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows within its jurisdiction, the Grand Lodge of Alberta—the Supreme Tribunal within the limits of the Province of Alberta—doth hereby ordain the following articles as the Constitution of all Subordinate Lodges working under its immediate jurisdiction, giving power to each Subordinate Lodge to insert the name, number and location of said Lodge in the blanks left in the first Article for that purpose.

TITLE AND POWERS

1. This Lodge shall be known and hailed by the name and title of _____
Lodge No. _____, I.O.O.F., located at _____, and shall possess the full powers and privileges of a Subordinate Lodge holding a legal-unreclaimed

and valid Charter duly granted and formally presented by the Grand Lodge of Alberta of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Without the consent of the Grand Master of said jurisdiction, the Lodge cannot change its location as specified in said Charter.

2. The Charter of the Lodge shall not be surrendered so long as five qualified members in good standing in the Lodge shall desire to work under and continue said Charter.

TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION

3. The jurisdiction of the Lodge shall extend half way in every direction by the most travelled route to the nearest Lodges within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta; provided that in towns and cities where there be more than one Subordinate Lodge, such Lodges shall have concurrent jurisdiction.

MEETINGS

4. The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held weekly on such evening and at such hour as shall be provided by its by-laws.

5. Should the date of any regular meeting fall upon the date of any legally established or recognized holiday the lodge may, by resolution passed at the regular meeting next preceding such date, omit said meeting; and thereby any business which by law or resolution should be transacted at said meeting shall be transacted at the regular meeting next succeeding the date thereof.

6. Upon the written request of five or more members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge to do so, the Noble Grand, or in his absence the Vice-Grand, may call a special meeting of the Lodge.

7. Should he deem it necessary the Noble Grand, or in his absence the Vice-Grand, may call a special meeting of the Lodge.

8. For each special meeting of the Lodge previous notice of not less than twenty-four hours shall be given. Said notice shall state the particular reason for calling such meeting; and at such meeting no business other than that so stated shall be entered upon.

9. Five members in good standing in the Lodge and who shall have attained the Degree of Truth, including one member qualified to preside shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the Lodge; no business shall be transacted at any regular or special meeting unless such quorum be then present.

10. All business shall be transacted when the Lodge be open in the Third Degree, and according to the Rules of Order annexed to this Constitution.

11. The use of tobacco shall not be permitted in the lodge room during lodge hours; and all spirituous, vinous and malt liquors shall be excluded from the lodge room and ante rooms when under the control of the Lodge.

ELECTIVE OFFICES AND COMMITTEES

12. The elective offices of the Lodge shall be those of Noble Grand, Vice-Grand, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer; provided that the offices of Recording Secretary and Financial Secretary may be combined and known as the office of Secretary.

13. The Lodge shall elect also an Audit Committee and a Board of Trustees, each of which shall consist of three members. The Lodge may elect also one (or more) Lodge Physician, Agent, or other officer or committee which may be required in the legitimate work thereof; provided that should an agent be elected to replace the Board of Trustees then the Lodge shall not be required to elect

the Board of Trustees as aforesaid.

14. A candidate for any elective office shall have attained the Degree of Truth, shall be in good standing in the Lodge at the time of election and, if elected, shall retain his good standing during his incumbency of office; provided that should the Lodge not have within its membership a qualified physician it may elect as Lodge Physician a qualified physician who may or may not be a member of the Order. A sitting officer shall be eligible for re-election if otherwise qualified.

15. A brother shall not be eligible for the office of Noble Grand until he shall have served as Vice Grand during a majority of the regular meetings of a term, nor for the office of Vice-Grand until he shall have served during a majority of the regular meetings of a term in some other elective or appointive office into which he shall have been installed.

NOMINATION

16. Nomination for the elective offices and committees shall be made only at the meeting fixed for election thereto and at the regular meeting next preceding the same. A brother who shall not have signified his willingness to accept the office for which he may be named shall not be nominated; and, except as provided in Article 21 of this Constitution, a

nominee shall not be withdrawn after nominations shall have been finally declared closed.

ELECTION

17. Election for the office of Noble Grand, of Vice Grand and of Recording Secretary or of Secretary shall take place at the last regular meeting of the Lodge in the month of May and of November respectively of each year and these officers shall be elected to serve for a term of six months.

18. Election for the office of Financial Secretary and of Treasurer shall take place at the last regular meeting of the Lodge in the month of November of each year and these officers shall be elected to serve for a term of twelve months.

19. Election of the Audit Committee shall take place at the last regular meeting of the Lodge in the month of November of each year. At the first election thereof one member shall be elected for a term of three years, one member for a term of two years and one member for a term of one year; at each succeeding regular election one member shall be elected for a term of three years.

20. Election of the Board of Trustees and of any officer or committee provided for in Article 13 of this Constitution shall take place at the last regular meeting of the Lodge in the month of November of each year and these shall be elected to serve for a term of twelve months.

21. Each elected officer or member of an elected committee shall be elected separately by paper ballot, and a majority of all ballots cast, including blank ballots, shall be necessary

for election. Should there be no choice of officer upon any ballot, a new ballot shall forthwith be taken and after each ballot the name of the candidate who may have received the lowest number of votes, as well as any who may have received no vote, shall be withdrawn; in case of a tie between two or more candidates receiving the lowest number of votes a separate ballot shall be taken immediately to determine which shall be withdrawn, the name of the candidate then receiving the lowest number of votes or no vote to be withdrawn. It is provided however that should there be but one candidate in nomination then such candidate shall be declared elected by acclamation without requiring a ballot.

22. In balloting for the election of an officer or member of an elective committee only one name shall be written upon any ballot.

23. Each member of the Lodge in good standing and who shall have attained the Degree of Truth shall be entitled to vote.

24. At each election the Noble Grand shall appoint two tellers who shall preside at the ballot box. The Noble Grand shall state the requirements qualifying members to vote and each member duly qualified shall then be allowed to deposit his ballot. When the Noble Grand shall have declared the ballot closed the said tellers shall examine the result of the balloting and report same to the Noble Grand.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

25. The Appointive Offices of the Lodge shall be those of Warden, Conductor, Chaplain, Right Scene Supporter, Left Scene Sup-

porter, Right Supporter of the Noble Grand, Left Supporter of the Noble Grand, Right Supporter of the Vice Grand, Left Supporter of the Vice Grand, Inside Guardian and Outside Guardian; a Degree Staff Captain may also be appointed.

26. Each appointed officer shall have attained the Degree of Truth, shall be in good standing in the Lodge at time of appointment and shall retain his good standing during his incumbency of office; provided, that with the consent of the Lodge the Noble Grand may appoint as Outside Guardian a brother of the Degree of Truth in good standing in any other Subordinate Lodge of the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

27. The officers provided for in Article 25 of this Constitution, except the Right Supporter of the Vice Grand and the Left Supporter of the Vice Grand, shall be appointed by the Noble Grand immediately after his installation; the Right Supporter of the Vice Grand and the Left Supporter of the Vice Grand shall be appointed by the Vice Grand at the same time.

28. On the date of and following his installation, the Noble Grand shall appoint the following Standing Committees, subject to the approval of the Lodge, to serve for the current term, namely; Visiting Committee, Membership Committee, Finance Committee, and Property Committee.

DUTIES

29. Each officer of the Lodge shall perform such duties appertaining to his office and shall be invested with such powers as are prescribed by the Charges and Usages of the Order,

the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and the Constitution of the Lodge. The Lodge shall have authority to add thereto by its By-laws such duties and powers as shall not be inconsistent with the previous clause of this Article.

Of Officers

30. It shall be the duty of the Acting Past Grand to attend regularly the meetings of the Lodge; to deliver the Past Grand's charge at Initiation, or to have the same delivered by a Past Grand or Noble Grand; to register in a book kept for that purpose the name and address of the place of residence of each widow receiving benefits from the hands of the Lodge, and the name, age and address of the place of residence of each orphan receiving benefits from the funds of the Lodge; to watch over the welfare and interests of each such widow or orphan; to visit each such widow or orphan, if residing in, or within three miles of, the town or city in which the Lodge be located, at least once each quarter and more frequently if necessary; to report to the Lodge upon the condition of each such widow or orphan whenever occasion arise; to examine each candidate for a degree in the secret work of the preceding degree; to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

31. It shall be the duty of the Noble Grand to preside at the meetings of the Lodge; to have charge of the Charter of the Lodge while same be in session; to enforce due observance of the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge, and proper respect for and due observance of the Constitution, By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge; to sum-

mon a special meeting whenever so requested in writing by at least five members of the Degree of Truth in good standing, in the Lodge; to see that all officers of the Lodge perform their respective duties and deliver their respective charges; to see that all committees perform their respective duties; to appoint all officers (except the Right Supporter and the Left Supporter of the Vice Grand) and committees provided for in Articles 25 and 28 of this Constitution; to fill by appointment any vacancy occurring in an office or committee originally filled by his appointment; in the absence of an elected officer, or of other officer appointed by the Noble Grand, to appoint pro tem a qualified brother to perform the duties of such officer; to appoint a majority of each Committee on Character; to appoint each Examining Committee; to supervise each ballot; to examine the result of each ballot taken by ball ballot; upon the close of all balloting and voting, to ascertain and announce to the Lodge the result thereof; to bring any irregularities to the attention of the Lodge as soon as known to him and without fear or favor; to exercise a vigilant supervision in regard to all irregularities, subjecting brothers to fines or other penalties at the vote of the Lodge; to have all fines not requiring the vote of the Lodge for their imposition charged punctually in the books of the Financial Secretary; to ascertain the amount of and regulate the disbursements; to sign all warrants drawn upon the Treasurer for all sums voted by the Lodge or necessary for the payment of any benefits due under the provisions of these laws; to present a copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge to each member upon his admission to membership therein; to call upon the family or friends of a newly deceased unsuspended

member and ascertain whether any objection exist to conducting the funeral of such deceased member according to the rules and ceremonies of the Order, and, if necessary, to take charge of such funeral; to cause the Recording Secretary to invite brothers to attend the funeral of any deceased member; to perform all other duties pertaining to his office as prescribed by the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge or by the Charges and Usages of the Order.

32. It shall be the duty of the Vice Grand to assist the Noble Grand in the performance of his duties; to occupy the chair of the Noble Grand in the absence of that officer; to appoint the Right Supporter and the Left Supporter of the Vice Grand; to appoint the minority of each Committee on Character; to assist in examining the result of each ballot taken by ball ballot; to act as chairman of the Visiting Committee; and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office as prescribed by the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge or by the Charges and Usages of the Order.

33. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep accurate record of the transactions of the Lodge; to keep carefully and in good order all books, papers and other property of the Lodge belonging to his office, and to deliver same in like good order to his successor; to keep written up in good order all books placed in his charge; to carefully preserve all papers left with him; to fill out each Card or Certificate granted by the Lodge, and to express thereon the rank of the brother receiving same, or the highest degree attained by such brother, and to instruct each brother receiving such Card or Certificate to affix his signature thereto at once upon receipt; to write

and duly despatch each communication ordered by the Lodge or by the Noble Grand, to preserve and fyle for Lodge reference a copy thereof, and, if required, to read same to the Lodge; to notify by registered mail each brother more than twelve months in arrears for dues of his liability to suspension, to record in the minutes the name of each such brother, and under the order of unfinished business at the regular meeting next succeeding to read the same; to notify an Encampment or Rebekah Lodge of which a brother be a member, whenever such brother be suspended or expelled from the Lodge; to issue punctually all notices required by order of the Lodge or of the Noble Grand; to examine the Black Book with reference to each applicant for membership, and to acquaint the respective Committee on Character with the result of such examination; to supply each member of each Committee on Character with a notice stating the name and address of the respective applicant and the name of the reference; to inform each applicant, promptly by letter, of his acceptance or rejection as the case may be but without disclosing any fact or circumstance connected therewith; to notify each accepted applicant when to appear for initiation, and to preserve and fyle a copy of such notification; to notify each member eligible for a degree when to appear to make application therefor, and to preserve and fyle a copy of such notification; to preserve and fyle each written resolution, motion, account and report upon which action shall have been taken by the Lodge; to attest each order duly ordered by the Lodge authorizing draft of money on the Treasurer; to advise the Financial Secretary of each vote of the Lodge imposing an assessment or imposing or remitting a fine, and also of each

fine otherwise incurred by any member; to advise the Noble Grand promptly of any Committee failing to present report within the time specified for such report; to have charge of and keep in Safety the Seal of the Lodge, and to affix an imprint thereof upon each and every Card Certificate and communication issued by him; to make out at the close of each term, in accordance with such blank form of semi-annual return as the Grand Lodge of Alberta may from time to time direct, a complete return of the proceedings of the Lodge during said term, and to deliver said return, after having been approved by the Lodge and signed by the proper officers thereof, to the District Deputy Grand Master or other installing officer prior to the installation of officers for the term next succeeding. For such service the Recording Secretary may be paid such sum as may be provided by the By-laws of the Lodge.

34. It shall be the duty of the Financial Secretary to keep true and just account of the finances of the Lodge; to receive all moneys due the Lodge, and to pay same to the Treasurer at the close of each regular session, taking receipt therefor; to charge punctually all dues, charges, assessments and fines; to notify each member, at least two weeks previous to the close of each quarter, of the amount of his arrears and the amount of the regular dues for the current quarter, such notification to be written or printed and mailed or delivered to the brother's address as last known to the Lodge; to direct the attention of each member owing dues for more than the equivalent of twelve calendar months to the penalty governing such cases; to furnish the Membership Committee, at the beginning of each quarter, with a statement showing the

name of each brother not in good standing in the Lodge, together with the respective amounts of arrearage; to advise the Noble Grand from time to time the name of each member in arrears for dues for more than the equivalent of twelve calendar months to the end that such provisions as relate to such cases may be promptly given effect; to have the books of his office written up for the Audit Committee within three days after the close of each term; to deliver in good order to his successor all books, papers and other property of the Lodge belonging to his office; to assist the Recording Secretary in making out the semi-annual return for the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and to record a copy of said semi-annual return in the book supplied for that purpose; to cause an order to be drawn on the Treasurer for such sum as from time to time the Grand Lodge of Alberta may require to accompany each semi-annual return. For such service the Financial Secretary may be paid such sum as may be provided by the By-laws of the Lodge.

35. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive from the Financial Secretary, at the close of each regular session; all moneys in the hands of that officer belonging to the Lodge, and to carefully take charge of and deal with the same in such manner as may be required by the By-laws of the Lodge or by any vote of the lodge duly passed in conformity therewith; to keep correct account of all moneys of the Lodge coming into his hands; to advise the Noble Grand, in writing, whenever the available cash assets of the Lodge become reduced below a sum equal to five dollars (\$5.00) per capita for each unsuspended member thereof; to have the books of his office written up for the Audit Committee within three days after the close of each term; to deliver, when legally called upon to do so, all moneys,

bonds, books, papers and other property of the Lodge in his possession or charge to his successor or to any brother or brothers whom the Lodge may appoint to receive the same. For such service the Treasurer may be paid such sum as may be provided by the By-laws of the Lodge.

36. It shall be the duty of the Warden to take charge of the regalia and other property of the Lodge, except when a keeper be employed for the purpose; to act as chairman of the Property Committee; and to perform such other duties as may be entrusted to him by the lodge. For such service the Warden may be paid such sum as may be provided by the By-laws of the Lodge.

37. Each Lodge shall have in its ante-room a register known as the Visitors' and Members' Register; and it shall be the duty of the Outside Guardian to cause each officer and member of the Lodge to register his name therein before entering the lodge room, and each visitor to register his name, and the name, number and location of the Lodge to which he belongs, before examination and entrance to the Lodge room.

Of Committees

38. Each Committee being required to make report to the Lodge shall do so in writing, and each such report shall be signed by a majority of said Committee; provided that should a minority of any Committee desire to make report it may do so in writing.

39. It shall be the duty of the Audit Committee to examine all books and papers appertaining to the Lodge in the hands of the Recording Secretary, the Financial Secretary, the

Treasurer, the Trustees, and the Agent if such there be, at the close of each term or whenever called upon to do so by the Lodge, and to report in writing thereupon to the Lodge.

40. It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to hold in trust for the Lodge all stocks, securities, investments, properties and funds thereof, to invest the funds of the Lodge, as the Lodge may direct, and to perform such other duties as may be entrusted to it by the Lodge; provided that where an Agent be elected to replace in part or in whole the duties as aforesaid, then the duties both of the said Board of Trustees and of said Agent shall be prescribed by the Lodge.

41. The Visiting Committee shall consist of the Acting Past Grand, the Noble Grand, the Vice Grand, the Treasurer, and at least three other members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge. The Vice Grand shall be Chairman of the Visiting Committee.

42. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of the Visiting Committee to make such arrangement thereof whereby one or more of the Committee shall visit each sick member of the Lodge at least once each day during his illness, provided said sick member be in the town or city in which the Lodge be located or within one mile thereof, except as provided for in Article 44 of this Constitution.

43. It shall be the duty of each member of the Visiting Committee, on the day so set apart for him, to visit each sick member of the Lodge, after having received information of said member's sickness, and to render such necessary aid as the law provides or the Lodge direct, provided said sick member be in the

town or city in which the Lodge be located or within one mile thereof, except as provided for in Article 44 of this Constitution.

44. In the case of contagious or infectious disease it shall no. be incumbent upon the members of the Visiting Committee to visit personally, or of other brothers to watch; but if attendance be necessary the Committee, through the Chairman, may procure the services of a nurse, and the cost of said services shall be paid out of the General Fund of the Lodge.

45. It shall be the duty of the Visiting Committee to report in writing at each regular meeting of the Lodge the condition of each previously reported sick member, and the amount of benefits, if any, to which said member may be entitled.

46. The Membership Committee shall consist of five members; and it shall be the duty of this Committee to visit, or to correspond with, members who may have become in arrears for dues, and to use their best endeavors to prevent the suspension, or to secure the reinstatement, of such members. At the close of each regular term this Committee shall render to the Lodge a full report of its work during the term.

47. The Finance Committee shall consist of three members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge; and it shall be the duty of this Committee to inspect each account referred to it by the Lodge and to report thereon at or before the regular meeting next succeeding that at which said account shall have been referred to it.

48. The Property Committee shall consist of three members, including the Warden who shall be Chairman thereof, and it shall be the duty of this Committee to have charge of all regalia, paraphernalia and other effects of the Lodge not entrusted to any particular officer or to other committee; to procure such articles as may be necessary or as the Lodge direct; to cause to be made to regalia or other property of the Lodge such repairs as the Committee may deem necessary or as the Lodge direct; and at the last regular meeting of each term to make a complete written report of its proceedings during said term. Without the consent of the Lodge by regular vote, the Committee shall in no case expend a sum of more than ten dollars (\$10.00) during any one term.

49. Each Committee on Character shall consist of three members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of the Committee on Character, or of a member of the said Committee designated by the Chairman, to visit personally the applicant whose application shall have been referred to such Committee; and it shall be the duty of each Committee on Character to ascertain the age, the trade, profession or calling, the condition of health, the habits and the character of each applicant whose application shall have been referred to it; and to report to the Lodge, in writing, upon such application at the regular meeting next succeeding that at which said application shall have been referred to it unless excused by vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting at said meeting, or unless said application shall have been withdrawn.

50. Each Examining Committee shall consist of three members of the Degree of Truth

in good standing in the Lodge, appointed by the Noble Grand, one member of which shall be either the Noble Grand, the Vice Grand, or some other member known to be in possession of the Annual Travelling Pass Word. It shall be the duty of each Examining Committee first to compare the signature of the visitor about to be examined, as shown in the Visitors' and Members' Register, with the signature on the Card or Official Certificate presented by him. The Committee shall then examine the visitor in the Annual Travelling Pass Word, in the work of the degree in which the Lodge be open, and, in case of doubt, in the work of the other degrees. If satisfied the Committee shall then conduct the visitor into the Lodge room and introduce him to the Lodge.

Dismissal From Office

51. An elected or appointed Officer, or a member of a committee, who shall have been charged with official misconduct may be suspended or dismissed from his office by vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting on any motion to such effect; provided, that such brother shall first receive fair trial according to Article 122 of this Constitution and be found guilty. Upon such suspension or dismissal, the brother shall forthwith surrender to the Lodge all books, papers and other property of the Lodge in his possession or keeping.

52. An appointed officer or member of a committee who, without reasonable cause, may fail to perform the duties of his office to the satisfaction of the Lodge may be dismissed from his office by vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting on any motion to such effect; provided, that notice of such motion shall have been given at the regular

meeting next preceding that at which such vote be taken.

Vacancy in Office

53. An office, the occupant of which shall have been absent without satisfactory cause from three successive regular meetings, may be declared vacant by majority vote of the members of the Lodge present and voting on motion to this effect; provided, that notice of such motion shall have been given at the regular meeting next preceding that at which such vote be taken.

54. A vacancy in any office shall be filled by election or appointment, as the case may require; in the case of elective office, the nomination and election therefor shall take place not later than the regular meeting next succeeding that at which such vacancy shall have occurred; in the case of appointive office, appointment thereto shall take place not later than the regular meeting next succeeding that at which such vacancy shall have occurred.

Honors of Office

55. A member elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall be entitled to the privileges and honors of such office provided he be installed and complete the remainder of the prescribed term in said office.

56. The first Noble Grand of a new Subordinate Lodge shall be entitled to the rank of Past Grand upon the expiration of the regular term in which such Lodge shall have been instituted provided said Lodge shall have been instituted, its officers installed, and said officer shall have served at not less than fourteen regular meetings previous to expiration of the said regular term.

INSTALLATION

57. The officers of the Lodge shall be installed not later than the second regular meeting in the term for which they shall have been elected or appointed; provided, that the installation of an officer elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall take place during the meeting at which he shall have been elected or appointed, or as soon thereafter as possible. An officer re-elected or re-appointed shall be again installed.

TERMS

58. The terms of the Lodge shall be semi-annual, and shall commence immediately upon the opening of the Lodge on the day of the first regular meeting in January and in July respectively of each year. Each term shall be held to close immediately the next succeeding term shall commence. It is provided, however, that where a new subordinate Lodge shall have been instituted and its officers installed less than fourteen regular meetings previous to expiration of the regular term in which it shall have been instituted, then the officers thereof shall serve during the remainder of said regular term and until the close of the regular term next succeeding.

REPRESENTATIVES

59. At its first regular meeting in the month of January annually, the Lodge shall nominate and elect from among its Past Grands in good standing a representative or representatives to the Grand Lodge of Alberta as follows, that is to say: one representative where the number of members returned in the semi-annual report of the term next preceding shall have been one hundred or less; two representatives

where the number of members returned in said report shall have been more than one hundred but not more than two hundred; three representatives where the number of members returned in said report shall have been more than two hundred but not more than three hundred; and four representatives where the number of members returned in said report shall have been more than three hundred; provided, that a lodge instituted between the first day of January and the tenth day of February, both inclusive, in any year and which shall not have made any semi-annual report shall be entitled to elect one representative, and such representative shall be elected at the time of institution of such Lodge. Each representative shall be elected separately by a majority of all ballots cast and only one name shall be written on any ballot. Said representative or representatives shall be the duly accredited representative or representatives to the regular session, or to any special session, of the Grand Lodge of Alberta or adjourned meeting thereof until the time of election of successor or successors.

60. A Lodge not having a properly qualified Past Grand (i.e. one who shall have served as Noble Grand during a majority of regular meetings of a term, except as provided for in Article 55 of this Constitution) may choose one so qualified from any other Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta to represent it at a stated session of said Grand Lodge or adjourned meeting thereof.

REGALIA AND JEWELS

61. The Regalia of the Lodge shall be as follows: collars of Subordinate Lodges shall be white, trimmed with the emblematic color of

the degree intended to be represented, namely: Initiatory Degree, a plain white collar; First Degree, pink; Second Degree, blue; Third Degree, scarlet; rosettes of the appropriate color may be worn on the collar. Among those who may have attained the Royal Purple Degree, rosettes composed of black, yellow and purple may be worn on the collars either in connection with the other colors or as a separate rosette. The Noble Grand, Secretary and Treasurer shall each wear a scarlet collar trimmed with white or silver; the Vice Grand, a blue collar trimmed in like manner; Supporters of the Noble Grand and Vice Grand shall wear sashes of the colors of those officers, respectively; Warden and Conductor, black sashes; Scene Supporters, white sashes; Chaplain, white sash; Outside Guardian, scarlet sash; Inside Guardian, scarlet sash; Past Grands shall wear scarlet collars or sashes trimmed with white; the collars or sashes may be trimmed with silver lace or fringe, and those having attained the Royal Purple Degree may have trimmings of yellow metal, except that Past Grands not occupying official station, entitled to wear and in possession of Veteran Jewels issued by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, may wear said jewels in lieu of regalia; and provided also, that a Past Grand not occupying official station, entitled to wear and in possession of a Past Grand Master's Jewel or a Past Grand Representative's Jewel, may wear said jewel in lieu of regalia.

62. The Funeral Regalia of the Lodge shall be that as prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.—See Busbee's Digest, Section 563.

63. The position of each officer shall be indicated by the jewel of the office. The following described jewels are declared to be the

authorized jewels of the Order for Subordinate Lodges, namely: Past Grand, a five-pointed star of white metal two and one-half inches wide from tip to tip; Noble Grand, two crossed gavels of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Vice Grand, an hour glass of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Recording Secretary and Financial Secretary, two crossed pens of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Treasurer, two crossed keys of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Warden, two crossed axes of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Conductor, two crossed wands of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Inside Guardian and Outside Guardian, two crossed swords of white metal two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Supporters of the Noble Grand, a wand of white metal with two circular arms connected by three links and encompassing a gavel, two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Supporters of the Vice Grand, a wand of white metal with two circular arms connected by three links and encompassing an hour glass, two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Scene Supporters, a wand of white metal with two circular arms connected by three links and encompassing a burning torch, two inches wide and three and one-half inches long; Chaplain, a wand of white metal with two circular arms connected by three links and encompassing a Bible.

64. Past Officers of every description and members in possession of the Encampment Degrees and all other members of the Order, when visiting Subordinate Lodges and when attending the meetings of the Lodge of which

they be members, shall be entitled to wear regalia and jewels pertaining to the highest degrees which they may have taken.

65. Veteran members not occupying official station, entitled to wear and in possession of Veteran jewels issued by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, may wear said jewels in lieu of regalia in any Subordinate Lodge; but the Veteran Button provided for by legislation of the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1911 shall not be worn in lieu of regalia.

FUNDS

66. The funds and other properties of the Lodge, raised and held in trust for charitable purposes and for the legitimate work of the Order, shall remain the property of the Lodge so long as the Charter thereof be unreclaimed, to be applied solely to the ends aforesaid. Donating for other than such purposes or in any manner dividing them among the members individually is a violation of such trust and of the law, the penalty for which is expulsion; and any member participating in such illegal diversion of the Lodge funds or other properties shall be held personally responsible for the monies or effects so diverted.

67. The Lodge or any member or members thereof shall not, in the name of the Order, resort to any scheme of raffles, lotteries or gift enterprises or to any schemes of hazard or chance of any kind as a means to raise funds for any purpose of relief or assistance for the Lodge or for any member thereof.

68. The Lodge shall have two regular funds to be known respectively as the Widows' and Orphans' Fund and the General Fund. The

Lodge may provide for its By-laws for the institution of a Contingent Fund and a Sick and Nursing Fund; provided that where such be established the Lodge shall regulate, by its By-laws, what shall be receipts and disbursements on account thereof in accordance with the laws of the Order; and provided, further, that record of such receipts and disbursements shall be kept altogether separate from that of the receipts and disbursements belonging to the regular funds hereby established.

69. The Widows' and Orphans' Fund shall consist of all monies belonging thereto at the time of the adoption of this Constitution; and, thereafter, there shall be carried to the credit of the Fund the amount of all donations and bequests thereto, and all interest which from time to time may accrue thereupon; and there shall also be carried to the credit thereof, at the close of each regular term, twenty per cent. (20%) of the total amount received during such term on account of dues, provided that when the total at the credit of said Fund shall be equivalent to ten dollars (\$10.00) per capita for each unsuspended member of the Lodge, then the amount so apportioned may be reduced to five per cent. (5%) of receipts as aforesaid.

70. All monies at the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and which from time to time may be placed to the credit thereof, shall be kept on deposit in a separate account, in the Government Savings Bank or in the Savings Department of any chartered Bank of Canada; and all records of receipts and disbursements connected therewith shall be kept in a separate account in the ledger of the Lodge under the heading, "Widows' and Orphans' Fund."

71. The General Fund shall consist of all monies belonging thereto at the time of the adoption of this Constitution; and thereafter there shall be carried to the credit of the Fund all donations and bequests thereto, all monies received as rent or on account of the sale of any property of the Lodge, and the amount of any interest which may accrue upon investment of monies belonging to the fund, together with all monies received as fines as fees for admission, for cards, for Certificates, and for Degrees, and all monies received for dues, except such portion thereof as shall be carried to the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund and as may be carried to the credit of any special fund provided for in the By-laws of the Lodge.

72. All monies at the credit of the General Fund shall be kept on deposit in any chartered bank of Canada or in the Government Savings Bank; and record of all receipts and disbursements on account thereof shall be kept in the books of the Lodge.

73. All monies belonging to any special fund or fund at the time of adoption of this Constitution shall remain to the credit thereof should the By-laws of the Lodge, as made to conform to this Constitution, provide for the continuance of said special fund or funds, otherwise all said monies shall be carried to the credit of the General Fund of the Lodge.

74. Such monies in the possession of the Lodge as may not be required for immediate use thereby may be invested in stock, debentures or securities of the Government of Canada, of the Province of Alberta, or of any School District in said Province, or in securities which are a first charge on lands held in

fee simple; but in no case shall it be loaned to individuals on personal security, or invested in private enterprise of any kind, or loaned to a member of the Order.

ASSESSMENTS

75. Whenever the available cash assets of the Lodge shall have become reduced to less than an amount equal to five dollars per capita for each unsuspended member thereof, the Lodge, either by By-law or by resolution adopted after two weeks' notice, may assess its members equally in a sum sufficient to increase the said assets to an amount the equivalent of the amount as aforesaid.

FEEES

76. The cost of physicians' certificate of medical examination accompanying application for membership in the Lodge shall, in all cases, be paid by the applicant.

77. The Lodge shall prescribe in its By-laws the amount of the fee to be paid previous to admission, by applicants for membership therein according to the manner by which admission be sought; provided that in towns and cities where there be more than one Subordinate Lodge the respective fees for admission shall be uniform in amount; and provided further that the amount of such fees shall not be less than as herein named:

For admission by Initiation, by deposit of Dismissal Certificate, or as an Ancient Odd Fellow—

From the age of 21 years to 29 years,
inclusive ----- \$ 6.00

From the age of 30 years to 35 years, inclusive	10.00
From the age of 36 years to 39 years, inclusive	15.00
From the age of 40 years to 44 years, inclusive	15.00
Plus \$2.00 per year for each year more than the age of 39 years.	
From the age of 45 years to 49 years, inclusive	25.00
Plus \$4.00 per year for each year more than the age of 44 years.	
From the age of 50 years	40.00
Plus \$6.00 per year for each year more than the age of 49 years.	
For admission by deposit of unexpired Withdrawal Card	2.00
For admission by Transfer Certificate— according to provisions of Article 133.	
For admission by Reinstatement within one year after date of suspension— according to provisions of Article 124.	
For admission by Reinstatement after expiry of one year from date of sus- pension—according to provisions of Article 125.	
For Reinstatement and Withdrawal Card —according to provisions of Article 126.	

78. The fee for the First Degree (Degree of Friendship), for the Second Degree (Degree of Brotherly Love), and for the Third Degree (Degree of Truth), shall be not less than three dollars (\$3.00) each, provided that in towns and cities where there be more than one Subordinate Lodge the fees for said degrees shall be uniform in amount.

79. The fee for Visiting Cards and for Withdrawal Cards shall be not less than fifty cents (50c.) each.

80. The fee for Dismissal Certificates shall be one dollar (\$1.00) each.

DUES

81. The dues of the Lodge shall be not less than six dollars (\$6.00) per year, payable quarterly in advance to the Financial Secretary at the first regular meeting in January, in April, in July and in October, respectively, and shall commence upon the member's completion of membership by signing the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge.

MEMBERSHIP

Qualification

82. Applicants for membership in the Lodge by initiation shall be free white males of good moral character, who believe in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe; shall be in sound health; shall have been resident within the territorial jurisdiction of the Lodge for at least three months next preceding the date of application; and shall have arrived at the full age of twenty-one years previous to appearing for initiation. No hotel-keeper licensed to sell intoxicating liquors, saloon-keeper, bartender or professional gambler shall be eligible for membership in the Lodge.

83. An application for membership in the Lodge shall not be received or acted upon if the applicant's place of residence be nearer to any other Subordinate Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta unless the consent of such Subordinate Lodge shall

have been obtained, except in towns and cities where there be two or more Subordinate Lodges.

84. An application for membership in the Lodge shall not be received or acted upon if the applicant's place of residence be not within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, unless the consent of the Grand Master or of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction in which he resides shall have been obtained.

85. No brother shall hold membership in this and in any other Subordinate Lodge of the Order at the same time; and no person shall be admitted to Honorary Membership in the Lodge.

Application

86. Each application for membership in the Lodge shall be made in prescribed form, duly signed by the proposer, who shall be a member of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge, and by the applicant, whose signature shall be witnessed by a member of the Order; shall state the address of the applicant's place of residence; shall be accompanied by a certificate of medical examination by a qualified physician; shall be accompanied by a fee of not less than two dollars (\$2.00); shall state whether for membership by Initiation, by Reinstatement, by Transfer Certificate, by deposit of unexpired Withdrawal Card, by deposit of Dismissal Certificate, by deposit of Certificate for a Member of a defunct Subordinate Lodge, or as an Ancient Odd Fellow. If application be for membership by Transfer Certificate, such application shall be accompanied by Official Certificate or Visiting Card showing applicant's dues paid in advance; if by deposit

of unexpired Withdrawal Card or of Dismissal Certificate, such application shall be accompanied by such Card or Certificate; if by deposit of Certificate for a member of a defunct Subordinate Lodge such application shall be accompanied by such Certificate; if as an Ancient Odd Fellow, such application shall be accompanied by applicant's Certificate of resignation of membership in the Lodge in which he last held membership, or by the applicant's expired Withdrawal Card.

87. Upon receipt by the Lodge of an application regularly completed, the Noble Grand shall refer same to a Committee on Character, which Committee shall proceed in accordance with the duties provided therefor.

88. An application for membership in the Lodge shall not be made known to any person or persons, except to a member of the Order in good standing, until after ballot thereupon shall have been determined favorable.

89. An application for membership may be withdrawn before presentation to the Lodge or report thereon by the Committee on Character; but no such application shall be withdrawn after presentation of report by said Committee.

BALLOTING

90. Upon presentation to the Lodge by Committee on Character of report, whether favorable or unfavorable, on such application a vote by ball ballot shall be taken thereon, when, if less than three black balls be found, the application shall be determined favorable, but if three or more black balls be found, it shall be determined unfavorable. To constitute a ballot, at least five balls shall be cast.

91. When balloting upon an application it shall be the duty of the Noble Grand to supervise the ballot. After allowing an opportunity for any member to speak for or against the applicant, the Noble Grand shall direct the Warden to prepare the ballot, which this officer shall do by first seeing that the receptacle is clear and that sufficient ball ballots, including at least three black balls, be provided for the members. The Warden shall then present the ballot box to the Noble Grand, who shall examine and close it, and who may then vote. The Warden shall then present the ballot box to the Vice Grand, so that the latter officer may vote without leaving his station. The Warden shall then place the ballot box on a pedestal in the middle of the Lodge room, when the members shall proceed to ballot. After all members of the Lodge present shall have had an opportunity to ballot the Noble Grand shall ask: "Have all balloted who wish?" whereupon, if such be the case, he shall declare the ballot closed. Prior to the balloting, the Vice Grand shall not inspect the ballot.

92. Upon being declared closed, the ballot shall be presented by the Warden to the Vice Grand, who shall inspect the same. The ballot shall then be presented by the Warden to the Noble Grand, who, before inspecting the same shall ask, "Vice Grand, how stands the ballot?" The Vice Grand shall respond, "Favorable" or "Unfavorable," as the case may be. The Noble Grand shall then inspect the ballot, when, if it be favorable, he shall declare the application accepted; but if it be unfavorable, he shall declare the application rejected, and application from such applicant shall not again be balloted upon in any Lodge in the jurisdiction

of the Grand Lodge of Alberta within a period of six months next succeeding the date of such rejection.

93. In all cases where an application for membership in the Lodge shall have been accepted by favorable ballot but subsequent to such acceptance and prior to completion of the applicant's membership the Lodge shall have become convinced of unsatisfactory condition of health, or of unworthiness of said applicant, it shall be competent for the Lodge, by vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting, to annul such acceptance and to declare it void, whereupon a new ball ballot shall be taken on such application, in the same manner as if no previous ballot had been taken, to determine whether same be accepted or rejected; provided, that in case of unsatisfactory condition of health a new certificate of medical examination shall be furnished by the applicant before a new ballot be taken.

94. An unfavorable ballot upon an application for membership in the Lodge shall not be reconsidered, except that when the brothers having cast black balls against such application shall voluntarily make a motion for reconsideration of said ballot the same may be reconsidered. In such case the vote on the reconsideration shall be by ball ballot, when, if all the votes cast be in favor of it, the reconsideration shall be given, whereupon said application shall lie over until the next succeeding regular meeting of the Lodge, when another ballot thereon shall be taken by ball ballot. If the ballot be then unanimously favorable to the application, the same shall thereby be accepted, but if one or more black balls appear in either ballot, the application shall be rejected. In no case shall such recon-

sideration be given except as herein provided, and never more than one reconsideration in the same case shall be allowed; provided, always, that such reconsideration shall be given only within the four regular meeting nights next succeeding that of rejection.

95. Notification of the rejection by the Lodge of an application for membership therein shall be promptly forwarded by registered mail to each other Subordinate Lodge in the town or city in which such rejection shall have taken place; and notification of such rejection shall be forwarded by registered mail to the applicant also.

NEW APPLICATION

96. An applicant seeking to complete membership in the Lodge more than thirteen weeks after the date upon which ballot upon his application shall have been determined favorable shall be required to make application anew, as if no previous application had been made; and this shall require production by the applicant of a new certificate of medical examination.

COMPLETION OF MEMBERSHIP

97. Upon admission to membership in the Lodge, each member shall sign a promise to support, maintain and abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge, the Constitution, By-laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, and any amendments which may be made thereto; and to pay all legal demands which may be made upon him by the Lodge while he remain in membership therein.

98. Upon his admission to membership in the Lodge, each member shall sign the Con-

stitution and By-laws thereof. Such signature shall be necessary for the authentication of the contract between the member and the Order as provided for in Article 99 of this Constitution, and such membership shall date from the time of said signature.

99. The Constitution, Laws, By-laws, Enactments, Rules and Regulations of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, I.O.O.F., and of Subordinate Lodges thereunder are hereby declared to constitute the contract between the Order and each member thereof, and as such shall govern and control each member; and all enactments which may hereafter be made or adopted by the said Sovereign Grand Lodge of said Grand Lodge or said Subordinate Lodges, in any way amendatory or supplementary to the whole or any part of any of the aforesaid Constitution, Laws, By-laws, Enactments, Rules or Regulations, shall be binding upon each Lodge and upon each of its members immediately upon such adoption; but such contract is hereby declared to be entirely between each member and the Subordinate Lodge to which he may belong; and the remedy for enforcement of the rights of any member shall be against such Subordinate Lodge only, and he shall have no claim, therefore, against the Grand Lodge of Alberta or the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

RIGHT OF APPEAL

100. Any member of the Lodge dissatisfied with the action thereof in any matter may appeal therefrom to the District Deputy Grand Master, and the Lodge or said member, if dissatisfied with the decision, may appeal therefrom to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge

of Alberta, and therefrom to the said Grand Lodge, and from the Grand Lodge to the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Any appeal as herein specified shall in each case be taken within one month from the date of the action or decision appealed from and such appeal shall be conducted in a manner similar, as far as practicable, to appeals respecting trials. After the death of a member the same right of appeal in any case connected with pecuniary benefits shall be vested in a widow or legal representative of the deceased.

101. It is hereby distinctly and specifically affirmed that no member of the Lodge, his widow, children or representatives shall have the right to take a disputed case to the civil courts until the appeals within the Order as provided in the Article next preceding in this Constitution shall have been exhausted.

DEGREES

102. A brother who shall have been an initiate for not less than one week shall be eligible to make application for further degree or degrees. Previous to making such application he shall be required to pass examination satisfactory to the Acting Past Grand and to present an Official Certificate showing him to be in good standing in the Lodge and the fee for said degree or degrees fully paid. Such application shall then be balloted upon by ball ballot. Should there be no objection, the Lodge may ballot upon application for more than one of the remaining degrees at one ballot; provided that should three or more black balls appear in such ballot, then ballot on each degree shall be taken separately.

103. In a ballot upon application for said degree or degrees should less than three black

balls appear the application shall be accepted, and the brother making such application shall be declared eligible to receive the said degree or degrees; and the said degree or degrees shall be conferred upon him in due course as provided for.

104. In a ballot upon application for any one of the said remaining degrees should there appear three or more black balls the application shall be rejected; and two weeks' notice in open Lodge shall be required before ballot be again taken upon application from such applicant.

BENEFITS

105. Notwithstanding anything contained in any By-law or Resolution of the Lodge, or in any Article of this Constitution, it is hereby declared and ordered that no Sick Benefit or payment shall be paid to or claimed by any member of the Lodge who, at the time of the commencement of the sickness or disability on account of which claim may be made, did owe the Lodge more than the equivalent of thirteen weeks' dues; and if such sickness or disability result in death, the Lodge shall not be required to pay any Widows' or Orphans' Benefits, or funeral expenses; provided that a member shall be required to notify the Lodge of his sickness or disability within two weeks of the commencement thereof, if he intend to claim for Sick Benefits, unless such member be without the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta or it is otherwise impossible to give such notification.

106. A member of the Lodge who by reason of sickness, accident or injury to his person, not proceeding from intemperance or immoral conduct on his part, shall be rendered

incapable of following any business avocation or employment whereby he may obtain a livelihood, shall be entitled to receive from the Lodge weekly sick benefits as follows, except that for less than one full week of such sickness or disability he shall not be entitled to receive any Sick Benefit, namely: for the first full week and for the next succeeding twenty-five weeks or parts thereof of continuous sickness or disability, a sum of not less than Three (\$3.00) Dollars; for the next twenty-six succeeding weeks or parts thereof of continuous sickness or disability a sum of not less than Two (\$2.00) Dollars; provided that in no case shall the maximum sum to be paid as weekly sick benefit be more than one half the amount of the yearly dues.

To be entitled to such weekly sick benefits it is hereby further provided that at the time of the commencement of such sickness or disability the Brother shall have been in good standing, shall have been a member of the Lodge for a period of not less than one calendar month, and shall have attained the Degree of Truth and that when requested to do so by the visiting Committee or by the Lodge he shall furnish the Lodge with a certificate of his condition from a qualified physician in attendance upon him, and provided also that he shall notify the Lodge of his sickness or disability within one month of the commencement thereof, and shall make claim for any sick benefit on account of such sickness or disability within one month of the date of his recovery therefrom.

107. If a member leave the territorial jurisdiction of the Lodge during a period of sickness or disability, and while entitled to or

receiving Sick Benefits as aforesaid, it shall be required that there be transmitted to the Lodge a statement or statements of his case, setting forth his condition and the duration of his sickness or disability; and such statement or statements shall be certified by the Noble Grand of the Lodge nearest to the place where, for the time, he may be resident or detained, and under seal of said Lodge, or certified by a Justice of the Peace, a Clergyman, or qualified Physician, to the end that said member receive such Sick Benefit as may be due him.

108. If a member be resident without the territorial jurisdiction of the Lodge and become entitled to Sick Benefit as aforesaid, it shall be required that there be transmitted to the Lodge a statement or statements setting forth the nature of his sickness or disability, the time of its commencement and its duration, such statement or statements to be certified by the Noble Grand of the Lodge nearest to the place where he be resident or detained and under seal of said Lodge, or certified by a Justice of the Peace, a Clergyman, or by a qualified Physician. Said member shall thereupon be sent such amount of Sick Benefit as he may be entitled to receive.

109. A member of the Lodge, under charges duly preferred against him on any matter pertaining to his right to Sick Benefit, but otherwise entitled to Sick Benefit as hereinbefore provided, shall not be entitled to receive said Sick Benefit while said charges be pending; but if subsequently acquitted thereof in due course, he shall forthwith be then entitled to receive such Sick Benefit as would have become payable to him but for said charges while the same were pending.

110. The Lodge shall retain so much of the amount due as Sick Benefit to a member entitled to and receiving such as shall keep him in good standing.

111. A member not in good standing in the Lodge at the time of becoming sick or disabled shall not be entitled to Sick Benefit for the period of such sickness or disability; but if not suspended or expelled from membership in the Lodge, he shall be entitled to visitation, attention and care from the members thereof.

112. Whenever it may become known that a member in good standing in the Lodge shall have been reduced to a state of pecuniary distress by any sudden or unlooked for dispensation it shall be competent for the Noble Grand, or in his absence for the Vice Grand, to grant said member, out of the General Fund of the Lodge, a sum not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00); the case shall then be referred to a special committee of three members in good standing in the Lodge, appointed by the Noble Grand, and it shall be the duty of said committee to examine into the case and report promptly to the Lodge whether in its opinion any additional sum should be granted said member for relief; and upon receipt of such report it shall be competent for the Lodge, by vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present, to grant said member a sum not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00).

113. If a member of a distant Lodge apply for relief upon presentation of his Card or Official Certificate, his case shall be referred to the Noble Grand and two or more other members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge, who, if satisfied after examining said member, shall be at liberty to contribute

forthwith a sum not to exceed five dollars (\$5.00). They shall report their action to the Lodge at the regular meeting next succeeding, when, by vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present, the Lodge may contribute such further sum as may be deemed proper, said sum not to exceed ten dollars (\$10.00). Endorsation of the amount or amounts so paid him shall be made on the brother's Card or Official Certificate and notice thereof forwarded by the Recording Secretary to the Lodge issuing said Card or Official Certificate. It is provided, however, that should there be an organized General Relief Board in the town or city in which such brother apply for relief, then such application shall be placed in charge of and acted upon by said Board.

114. Upon the decease of a member of the Lodge who at the time of accident or of commencement of the sickness or disability resulting in his death shall have been qualified as hereinbefore provided to receive Sick Benefit, there shall be paid on account of funeral expenses actually incurred by the dependent relatives of the deceased or by the local estate of the deceased such sum as shall be provided by the By-laws of the Lodge. Dependent relatives shall be understood to be the widow, the orphan children under twenty-one years of age, the relatives dependent upon the deceased, or relatives upon whom the deceased was dependent at the time of his death; and dependent relatives shall be of the household of the deceased.

115. The Lodge shall make provision in its By-laws whereby such benefit as the Lodge may deem fit, shall be paid to the widow or orphan or orphans of a deceased member who at the time of commencement of the sickness

or disability, or at the time of accident resulting in his death, shall have been in good standing therein.

SUSPENSION

116. A member of the Lodge in arrears for dues for a period of more than twelve calendar months may be suspended or dropped from membership. Notice of arrearage together with notice of contemplated suspension, under seal of the Lodge, shall be delivered to such delinquent member or forwarded by the Recording Secretary, by registered mail to his address as last known to the Lodge. After such notice, to constitute him a suspended or dropped member the Noble Grand shall formally declare him to be suspended or dropped from membership, unless the Lodge, by resolution, extend the time for payment of his arrearage, which extension shall in no case exceed six months. Record of such action shall be made in the minutes. It shall not be necessary to ballot upon the suspension of a member for non-payment of dues; but where the suspension of more than one member be proposed action by the Lodge shall be taken, or declaration by the Noble Grand shall be made, separately in each case. It is provided that a member under suspension for cause other than non-payment of dues shall not be suspended from membership for non-payment of dues until expiration of the term of his suspension; and it is provided further that a member of the Lodge who shall have been a contributing member of the Order for twenty-five consecutive years and who shall have become sixty years of age shall not be dropped from membership for non-payment of dues by reason of his being more than one year in arrears, but shall be retained as a non-beneficial member

and as such shall be entitled to the password and fellowship of Lodges, and have all the privileges of active members except benefits.

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

117. The following are offences against the Laws of the Order, viz.:

I. To attach to any chart, certificate, diploma or other document any copy or impression of the seal of the Lodge, of which the member may not have the official use or custody.

II. To compose or write or print or sell or exhibit or use or be in possession of, or in any way to aid or abet in composing or writing or printing or exhibiting or using any publication or writing or other device purporting to be the Unwritten Work of the Order or any part, abbreviation or memorandum thereof.

III. To reveal or make known any of the secrets of the Order to any person or persons not at the time members of the Order in good standing therein.

IV. To divulge or make known to any person or persons outside of the Order the name of any brother who may have reported unfavorably upon any application for membership, or the name of a brother who in any way may have opposed the admission of an applicant for membership.

V. To communicate anything that may be said against a candidate by a brother, except to a member of the Lodge.

VI. To make complaint against a brother for the purpose of having charges preferred or to prevent his advancement, knowing the same to be false.

VII. To make known any business transacted therein which should be confined to the Lodge.

VIII. To have knowingly made false statements in order to have gained admission to membership in the Order or for such purpose to have concealed any infirmity or disease whether of mind or body.

IX. To feign sickness for the purpose of obtaining benefits, or to use or employ any improper means for such purpose.

X. To appropriate any funds, property or effects of a Lodge to one's own use, or to wrongfully direct or misappropriate the funds or any part thereof in one's possession when properly demanded.

XI. To wilfully neglect or refuse to appear or testify or give deposition when duly notified and required to do so at any time or in any proceeding against a brother for an offence against the Order.

XII. To place or cause to be placed upon the business sign or card or in any advertisement of one's business any emblem of the Order.

XIII. To wilfully or maliciously slander or defame the character of one's own family.

XIV. To neglect abuse or ill-treat one's wife or family, or without just cause to abandon them.

XV. Drunkenness is an offence against the Order at all times and in all places.

XVI. Gross, indecent or immoral conduct of any kind, or any offence made criminal by the Laws of the Province of Alberta shall be considered an offence against the Laws of the Order.

118. A member of the Lodge who shall violate any of the obligations as an Odd Fellow, or violate any of the principles of the Order, or offend against any of the Laws or Usages thereof, or commit any of the offences hereinbefore enumerated in Article 117 of this Constitution shall, upon conviction after fair trial, be expelled, suspended for a definite period or reprimanded, as the Lodge may determine; provided, that where the Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge prescribe the penalty in certain cases, then such penalty shall be enforced.

119. Neither the emblems nor the name of the Order nor of the Lodge shall be used in connection with any public entertainment, excursion, party or amusement of any kind unless, upon request of the Lodge, the consent of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta shall first have been obtained; and no intoxicants shall be used upon any such proposed occasions. The penalty for violation of the foregoing is expulsion from the Order.

120. Should a member of the Order be convicted of crime and be sentenced or be under suspended sentence therefor, the Noble Grand of the Lodge of which he be a member shall forthwith prefer charges against said member on account of such crime; and upon the charges being sustained and the member fully identified, the said member shall be expelled from the said Lodge and Order.

121. A member of the Lodge who may have been suspended for non-payment of dues may afterwards be expelled for criminal and unworthy conduct. A brother under suspension is still a member of his Lodge, although deprived of certain rights and privileges, and is subject to the laws in relation to discipline for unworthy conduct.

TRIAL

122. A member of the Lodge charged with an offence involving reprimand, expulsion or suspension (except for non-payment of dues) shall be entitled to a fair trial, in accordance with the clauses following; provided, that a member of the Lodge shall not be put on trial unless charges duly specifying his alleged offence be first submitted, in writing, to the Lodge, by one or more members of the Order in good standing:

I. Any charge or charges so preferred shall be referred to a committee of five members in good standing in the Lodge to be chosen by ballot. The committee, three of which shall constitute a quorum, shall summon the members concerned with as little delay as possible, and shall examine and determine the matter in question in accordance with this Constitution and the rules of procedure on trials as hereto annexed.

II. Should the decision of the committee not involve the expulsion or suspension of the member charged and should no appeal therefrom be made, such decision shall be final without further action by the Lodge.

III. Should the committee be convinced of the necessity of expelling or suspending the member charged, a motion to such effect shall be submitted to the Lodge, in writing, by three or more of the committee in the name thereof.

IV. Notice of a motion for the expulsion or suspension of the member charged shall be given, in writing, by three or more of the committee in the name thereof and shall be read in open Lodge at two regular meetings preceding that at which such motion be con-

sidered. The member charged shall be summoned to attend this last named meeting; but whether said member be then present or not the Lodge may proceed to consider and determine the question.

V. The Lodge shall have the power at the meeting appointed for its decision to vary the penalty to one more or less severe than that contained in the motion submitted by the committee.

VI. At the meeting appointed the committee shall present, in writing, to the Lodge a statement of the grounds on which its decision be founded, and the members interested in said appeal shall have the privilege of speaking thereupon in open Lodge; the decision of the committee shall then be confirmed, modified or annulled according as a majority of the members of the Lodge present shall determine.

VII. Any member of the Lodge shall have the right to appeal to the Lodge from the decision of the committee prior to the action by the Lodge upon such decision; and notice of the meeting appointed for consideration of such appeal shall be given at least one meeting preceding such meeting.

VIII. Any member of the Lodge shall have the right to appeal to the Grand Lodge of Alberta, provided such appeal be forwarded to the Grand Secretary thereof within one month of the date of the final action of the Lodge on the matter to be appealed against; and the Lodge shall be required to provide the appellant with a copy of all proceedings in the case, regularly certified upon, receipt of the cost and charges of copying and mailing same, which charges shall be refunded to the appellant in the event of his appeal being sustained.

IX. In case of charge and trial where the penalty is fixed as suspension or expulsion, the accused, before or immediately upon the time of making appeal to the Grand Lodge of Alberta, may file with the Recording Secretary of the Lodge an application for arrest of judgment. If he do so, the accused shall send a copy of such application to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta (which the Grand Master may refuse) and at the same time shall pay any and all dues and demands legally standing against him up to and including that date; and thereupon the status of the accused in the Lodge shall not be affected by reason of such trial or conviction while such appeal be pending unless the Grand Master refuse the application or unless, after filing aforesaid application, the accused fail to perfect said appeal within the time provided. But in the event of such refusal or failure, the judgment of the Lodge shall be enforced.

REINSTATEMENT

123. A member suspended for cause other than non-payment of dues desiring to be reinstated before expiration of the term of his suspension may make application in writing to the Lodge for Reinstatement therein; whereupon such application shall be referred to a committee of five members of the Degree of Truth in good standing in the Lodge, three members to be appointed in the Noble Grand and two members by the Vice Grand, which Committee, after due investigation, shall make written report upon such application at the next succeeding regular meeting of the Lodge when, if a majority of the members of the Lodge then present vote in favor of his reinstatement, such suspended member shall be declared eligible for Reinstatement and, with

the consent of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, he may be reinstated; but no such member shall be reinstated until he shall have paid any and all arrearages legally standing against him at the time of his suspension.

124. Within one year after the date of being suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, a member may make application to the Lodge for Reinstatement therein; and the Lodge may reinstate such member upon receipt from him of proper application and of a fee which shall not be less than the amount of one year's dues.

125. After the expiry of one year from the date of being suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, a member may make application to the Lodge for Reinstatement therein; and the Lodge may reinstate such member upon receipt from him of proper application and of a fee which shall be equal in amount to that for an initiate of the same age unless, by its By-laws, the Lodge prescribe a fee of less amount for such Reinstatement; provided, that in no case shall the amount of such fee be less than the amount of one year's dues.

REINSTATEMENT AND WITHDRAWAL

126. A member suspended or dropped for non-payment of dues, making application for Reinstatement and for a Withdrawal Card, may be reinstated and granted such Card at any time upon payment of a fee which shall not be less than the amount of one year's dues, together with the cost of said Card; provided that in such case it shall not be necessary for the applicant to produce certificate of

medical examination nor, if reinstated, to resign the Constitution and By-laws of the Lodge.

DISMISSAL CERTIFICATE

127. Within five years succeeding the date of his suspension, and upon receipt of proper application therefor and of the required fee as provided for in its By-laws, the Lodge, by a majority vote of its members present, may grant a Dismissal Certificate to a member suspended or dropped for non-payment of dues, to enable such member to join another Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

128. After expiry of five years succeeding the date of his suspension, a member, suspended or dropped for non-payment of dues, wishing to join another Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, shall be entitled to receive a Dismissal Certificate upon making application therefor and paying the fee as provided for in Article 80 of this Constitution; and the Lodge, upon receipt of such application and fee, shall grant said Dismissal Certificate.

129. A member, suspended or dropped from membership for non-payment of dues, wishing to regain membership in a jurisdiction other than that of the Grand Lodge of Alberta or who shall have been refused reinstatement in the Lodge, shall be entitled to receive a Dismissal Certificate upon making proper application therefor and paying a fee as provided for in Article 80 of this Constitution; and upon receipt of such application and fee, the Lodge shall grant said Dismissal Certificate.

WITHDRAWAL CARD

130. In all cases where a member shall apply for his Withdrawal Card for the purpose of becoming an applicant for the institution of a new Lodge, he may pay in advance a quarter year's dues at the time of his application. Upon such Card being granted and issued, if such member shall become sick or disabled, or should die within the period for which such advanced dues are paid and before completing his membership in the new Lodge, then said member shall be entitled to all Sick and Death Benefits from his old Lodge, the same as if no Card had been issued.

131. A member in good standing in the Lodge desiring to withdraw therefrom may signify such desire either personally in open Lodge, or by letter addressed to the Recording Secretary (thereby making application for Withdrawal Card), whereupon the Lodge shall proceed to ballot, by ball ballot, upon such application, and a majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to the granting of said Card. It is provided that upon refusal of said Withdrawal Card the applicant therefor shall have the right to appeal to the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

CERTIFICATE OF RESIGNATION

132. If a majority of the members present refuse to grant said Withdrawal Card, the applicant therefor may tender written resignation of his membership in the Lodge and shall thereupon be entitled to receive from the Recording Secretary, under seal of the Lodge, a Certificate of Resignation, the applicant thereby becoming an Ancient Odd Fellow. Such Certificate shall be sufficient evidence of

the brother's good standing in the Lodge at the time of his resignation.

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE

133. That a member of the Order in possession of an Official Certificate or Visiting Card changing his residence from the territorial jurisdiction of his lodge to the territorial jurisdiction of another and desiring to unite with a lodge at his new place of residence, upon making application for membership, accompanied by his Official Certificate or Visiting Card, showing his dues paid not less than four weeks in advance of the date of his application for membership, and being elected as provided by local law, upon notice being sent by the Secretary to his lodge, said lodge shall, unless charges are pending against him, without ballot upon receipt of a fee of twenty-five cents (25c.) issue a Transfer Certificate and send the same at once to the Secretary sending for same; and upon receipt of Transfer Certificate, the member shall be entitled to sign the constitution and become a member of the new lodge without the payment of any additional fee; provided, that if a physician's certificate is required he must pay the expenses for the same.

The Secretary shall immediately report to the Secretary of the lodge issuing the Transfer Certificate the date of signing the Constitution of the new lodge and he shall make a record thereof and the old lodge shall immediately refund to the member all dues paid in advance of signing the Constitution of the new lodge.

The issuing of a Transfer Certificate shall sever membership in the lodge issuing it; pro-

vided, that if a member becomes sick or disabled, or should die before the date to which his dues are paid and before completing his membership by signing the constitution of his new lodge, then said Transfer Certificate shall be cancelled and returned to the lodge issuing the same and said member shall retain his beneficial standing in his old lodge, the same as though the Transfer Certificate had not been issued.

If the member fails to sign the Constitution of the new lodge within three months after the date of his election the Transfer Certificate shall be cancelled and returned to the Lodge issuing the same and the member shall hold the same standing in his old lodge as though the Transfer Certificate had not been issued.

VISITING CARDS

134. A member in good standing in the Lodge shall be entitled to a Visiting Card upon payment of all dues for the period for which said Card be required together with a fee as provided for in the By-laws of the Lodge. During recess of the Lodge such Card may be issued by the Noble Grand and Recording Secretary.

135. A Visiting Card shall not be granted for a period exceeding twelve calendar months from the date of issue; and after expiry of said period the holder shall not be granted a new Visiting Card until he shall have returned the one previously issued to him.

VISITING

136. A member of another Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta may be admitted as a visitor to this Lodge provided he give the Pass Word of the

current term, or presents a proper Card or Official Certificate, or be introduced by an elected officer of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, or by any representative of the Sovereign Grand Lodge from the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

137. A member of the Lodge of a jurisdiction other than that of the Grand Lodge of Alberta shall be permitted to visit the Lodge provided he present a regular Card or Official Certificate and prove himself in the Annual Travelling Pass Word and in the degree in which the Lodge be open. Upon presentation of such Card or Official Certificate the Noble Grand shall appoint a committee of three members, known as an Examining Committee, which Committee shall proceed according to the duties prescribed therefor; or such brother may be introduced by an elected officer of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, or by a representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge from the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

138. A visiting brother shall not be refused admission if his Card or Official Certificate be regular and he pass examination satisfactory to the Examining Committee.

139. The Lodge or member thereof shall have no right to inform a visitor of any defect, informality or irregularity in his Card or Official Certificate, or of any error or omission by him in the unwritten work of the Order during examination in such by the Examining Committee.

140. After a brother shall have visited the Lodge by Card or Official Certificate and such

Card or Official Certificate bear record thereof, he may be admitted for subsequent visitation upon identification and upon presentation of the same Card or Official Certificate while the same remain in date.

141. The Lodge may authorize the Noble Grand to cause intending visitors presenting Cards or Official Certificates to be examined (but not admitted) prior to the opening of the Lodge.

142. A brother holding an expired Withdrawal Card or Dismissal Certificate shall not be permitted to visit the Lodge; but Dismissal Certificates may be received on deposit in the Lodge.

143. The Lodge in a body may visit another Subordinate Lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, when accompanied by its Noble Grand and Vice Grand, or either of them, who shall introduce the members in the manner provided for the introduction of visitors by an elected Grand Officer.

BY-LAWS

144. The Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt from time to time such By-laws and Resolutions as may be deemed expedient and to repeal or amend the same; provided that they do not in any way contravene any part of this Constitution, the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, the Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge or the principles and customs of the Order.

145. A motion to adopt, repeal or amend any By-law of the Lodge shall not be made

unless notice thereof shall have been given at the two regular meetings immediately preceding that upon which such motion is announced to be made, and in the exact terms in which it is to be considered. When any such proposed amendment be legally before the Lodge for consideration it shall be within the power of the Lodge to alter or change said proposed amendment in any manner considered expedient, provided that where the subject under consideration be the expenditure of money or the fixing of salaries, no larger sum than that mentioned in said notice shall be voted upon.

146. All such By-laws and amendments shall be immediately forwarded in duplicate to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, accompanied by a certificate that the same have been read at three consecutive regular meetings and passed by the Lodge, authenticated by the seal of the Lodge and the signature of the Noble Grand and of the Secretary, one copy to be retained by the Grand Lodge and the other to be returned to the Lodge certified as approved or otherwise as the case may be; and no such By-laws shall be operative until notice of approval by the Grand Lodge of Alberta or in its recess by its Committee on Lawes of Subordinates, shall have been certified by the Grand Secretary thereof. Copies in duplicate of any By-laws proposed for amendment, both before and after such proposed amendment, shall also be forwarded.

INTERPRETATION

147. Wherever the words "good standing" occur in this Constitution or in the By-laws of the Lodge, they shall be interpreted to

mean "not owing the Lodge more than the equivalent of thirteen weeks' dues and not under charge regularly preferred according to the provisions of the Constitution of the Lodge."

148. Wherever the word "Lodge" occurs in this Constitution or in the Rules of Order hereto annexed it shall be interpreted to mean "a Lodge of the Order in regular session."

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

149. This Constitution and the Rules of Order hereto annexed, or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled unless by action of the Grand Lodge of Alberta at its Annual Session and then only after notice of such proposed alteration or amendment shall have been given to the Grand Secretary not less than two months previous to the date of the said Annual Session; and such proposed alteration or amendment shall require for adoption a majority vote of the members present and voting at such Annual Session of said Grand Lodge. When any such proposed alteration or amendment be legally before said Grand Lodge for consideration it shall be within the power thereof to alter or change said proposed alteration or amendment by vote of two-thirds of the members of said Grand Lodge present and voting, without notice aforesaid; but whenever it be necessary to change said Constitution and Rules of Order, or any part thereof, in order to conform to the Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge such change may be made without previous notice.

REPEALING CLAUSE

150. All Constitutional laws, rules and resolutions heretofore enacted by the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Alberta for the government of its Subordinates are hereby repealed; and all By-laws, rules and regulations of any of its Subordinates in conflict with this Constitution are hereby declared null and void.

CODE OR PROCEDURE ON TRIALS

The Grand Lodge of Alberta provides the following rules of procedure, forms, etc., for the trial of members:

1st. All charges against members of this Order shall be drawn subsequently in the manner prescribed in "Form A," and be submitted direct to the Lodge of which the accused is a member, in duplicate, signed by a member of the Order in good standing. The General charge shall be an averment of "Conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow," followed by specification, stating the time, place and circumstances of the offence or offences.

2nd. The Lodge shall, immediately after the reading of the charge, choose by ballot a Committee of five, as near as possible, from among the peers of the accused three of whom shall be a quorum, to whom the charge shall be referred. In selecting this committee only one name shall be written upon one ballot, and the first elected shall be the convenor thereof.

3rd. The accused or accuser, or any member of the Lodge acting for either of them, may challenge for cause any name appearing on the ballot. The grounds of challenge shall be stated and considered by the Lodge, and a majority vote shall be necessary to sustain the objection made.

4th. The Secretary shall affix the seal of the Lodge to one copy of the charge and specifications, and certify it substantially according to "Form B," and serve, or cause to be served, upon the accused, either personally or by leaving it at his usual place of residence.

The Secretary shall also certify under seal the duplicate charge, and deliver it to the convener of the committee, with the notice, according to "Form C" of these Rules.

5th. The accused shall, within one week from the receipt by him of the charge and specifications, serve his plea or answer to the same upon the convener of the committee, by either or several of the answers shown in "Form E."

6th. The convener of the committee shall, on receipt of the pleas in defence or at the expiration of the time limited therefor with reasonable diligence, call a meeting of the committee, to attend which, the accuser or accused shall be served with personal notice if they can be found, or by leaving same at their usual place of residence, according to "Form D," at least one week prior to the time fixed for trial.

7th. At the meeting a Chairman and Secretary shall be appointed, and the trial proceed by examination of the parties and witnesses on their behalf. Either party may amend their proceedings by leave of the committee.

8th. The report of the committee shall state their finding on each specification of the charge, according to "Form F," and shall be accompanied by an accurate record of their proceedings, rulings and decisions, together with the original evidence taken during the trial, which shall be submitted to the Lodge within a reasonable time after the case has been submitted to them. Should there be a minority report, it may be presented in a similar manner at the same time. The minutes of the committee should show—

1. The date and place of each meeting and the parties present.

II. The exceptions taken by either party, and the decisions thereon.

III. Parole evidence in full, subscribed by the witnesses.

IV. All documentary evidence, marked as exhibits.

9th. The finding of the committee shall be entered in the Lodge minutes by the Secretary who shall forthwith notify both parties that the report has been submitted, and all parties shall be entitled to make copy thereof.

10th. The Lodge shall take up the report for consideration at the regular meeting to be held two weeks after it has been submitted, and may amend, affirm or reverse the finding of the committee upon any one or all of the allegations in the charge or their ruling thereon. (If the decision of the committee does not involve suspension or expulsion, it should be acted on the night it is presented.)

11th. The final decision of the Lodge shall be notified to both parties by the Secretary immediately.

12th. Either party may appeal from the decision of the Lodge to the Grand Lodge within three months from the action of the Lodge thereon. The Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a copy of all the proceedings, regularly certified, upon receiving the costs and charges of copying and mailing the same.

EVIDENCE OF WITNESSES

1. The evidence competent to be admitted before the Committee of Trial shall be—

(a) Parole evidence (i.e., testimony of living witnesses before the committee).

(b) Depositions, procured in the manner prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F.

(c) Regularly certified minutes of Lodge.

(d) Regularly proved documentary evidence; hear-say evidence cannot be **received**. The committee will **determine** the admissibility of evidence offered, subject to exception by either party. The exception so taken shall be noted by the committee upon its minutes.

2. Members of the Order shall testify under their obligations as Odd Fellows, according to "Form G," to be administered by the Chairman of the committee.

3. Where evidence has to be taken from persons not members of the Order, the party giving the evidence shall make a statutory declaration of all the facts relating to the matter as are within his own knowledge, in the manner provided for the stating of statutory declarations by the Canada Evidence Act of 1893, and to be taken before any of the persons therein authorized to take declarations (Justices of the Peace and Commissioners in B.R.); and such declaration when so taken shall be received by the committee appointed to try the case; provided always that the party procuring such declaration to be taken shall give to the opposite party forty-eight hours' notice in writing of the time and place, when and where such declaration shall be taken, and the party receiving such notice shall have the right to attend at the time and place appointed, for the purpose of asking such questions as he may wish of the party making such declaration, and the replies to such questions

shall be embodied in the declaration; and in case such notice as herein required shall not be given such declaration shall not be received by the committee in evidence. Should the party so notified not attend at the place and time appointed, the declaration shall be taken in his absence, and shall be received by the committee as if the said party had been present.

4. Depositions of absent witnesses shall be procured by interrogation and cross-interrogation in the Form prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the I.O.O.F., subject to objection by either party to be determined by the committee.

5. The attendance of witnesses must be procured by the party desiring to call them.

6. Any member of the Order refusing or neglecting to give evidence or procure documentary evidence in his possession, upon the application of the party requiring this testimony, shall then be required by the committee to give such evidence, and if he still refuse, after being so required by the committee to give or procure such evidence, he shall be reported to his Lodge, which Lodge shall take such action as it may deem necessary to compel the production of such evidence.

FORMS

Form A—Charge and Specifications

To-----Lodge No.-----, I.O.O.F.

The undersigned, a member in good standing of-----Lodge, No.-----does hereby charge Bro. A. B., of-----Lodge No.-----with conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; the grounds of such charge being more fully set forth in the following specifications, to wit:—

1st. For that he, the said A. B., did on the _____ day of _____ 19__ at the _____
 (Specify the offence and circumstances, and continue with further specifications. Each separate thing in violation of law to be under a separate place in the charge), contrary to the laws and usages of the Order.

(Date)_____ (Signed) _____ C.D.

Form B—Notice of Charge to the Accused

(Date)_____ 19__

Bro. _____ I hereby enclose a copy of charge and specifications preferred against you by _____ of _____. The same was referred to a Committee consisting of _____ (give names) _____. You are required to file your answer to the charge and specifications, according to the form prescribed, within one week from the service of this notice, with the first-named member of the Committee, who will notify you of the time and place of trial.

Fraternally,

(Seal) _____ Secretary.

Form C—Notice to Convener of Committee

(Date)_____ 19__

To Bro. _____

I enclose you a charge preferred by _____ against _____, which charge was referred to _____ (give names) for trial, of which Committee you are Convenor. The accused was served with a copy of the charge on the _____ day of _____, and notified to file his answer thereto with you within one week, when you will cause the Committee to meet and proceed with the trial.

Fraternally,

(Seal) _____ Secretary.

Form D—Notice to Accuser or Accused

(Date)-----19--
 To-----A.B., or C.D., (as the case may
 be, one to each party).

The Committee on trial of the charge and
 specifications made by-----against-----
 will meet at-----on the-----day
 of-----at-----o'clock .m., to hear
 and determine the same. You are required to
 attend, with your witness, and-----
 (prosecute or defend the same, as the case
 may be).

I am, fraternally yours,

 Convenor of Committee.

Form E—Pleas in Defence

I, A.B., mentioned in the charge and speci-
 fications, preferred by C.D., on the-----
 day-----, say—

1st.—That the offence in the charge men-
 tioned is not within the legal jurisdiction of
 the Lodge.

2nd.—That I am not guilty.

3rd.—Guilty.

4th.—I admit the fact stated, but will justify
 the alleged offence.

5th.—The complaint is frivolous.

(Date)----- (Signed)

Form F—Report of Committee on Trial

(Date)-----19--
 To----- No.-----, I.O.O.F.

The undersigned (a majority of the) Com-
 mittee appointed to investigate the charge and
 specifications preferred by-----against-----
 respectfully report as follows
 (state finding on each specification): The

minutes of the Committee, evidence taken, and papers pertaining to the trial, are submitted herewith.

(Signed by the Committee).

Form G—Declaration of Witness

You sincerely declare upon your honor as an Odd Fellow that the evidence you shall give in the matter of----- against-----now pending, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Thus you declare.

(The following additional forms as recommended by the Sovereign Grand Lodge are here submitted, modified to suit the laws and usages of this jurisdiction. Notices to the accused and to witness should, if possible, be delivered personally, and should be endorsed on the back as delivered, and over the signature of the person so delivering, and the receipt thereof should be acknowledged over the signature of the person to whom it is delivered.—Jour. S.G.L., pp. 6541, 6590).

Form H—Subpoena

-----Lodge, No.-----, I.O.O.F.
To-----

You are hereby notified and required to appear before the Committee hereof, re appointed to try the charges preferred by Bro.----- at-----on the-----day of----- 19____, at-----o'clock-----of that day, to testify as a witness therein on behalf of said Bro.-----

By order of Committee,

-----Sec. Com.
(Date)-----

Form I—Notice of Filing Report

To _____ Lodge, No. _____, I.O.O.F.
 _____ 19__

Sir and Bro.—Take notice that the Committee heretofore appointed to try the charge preferred against you by Bro. _____ have this day filed their report thereon, which will be considered by the Lodge at the meeting to be held on the evening of the _____ day of _____ 19__.

Yours in F., L. and T.,

_____ Rec. Sec.

Form J—Notice of Appeal

To _____ Lodge, No. _____, I.O.O.F.

Take notice that the undersigned hereby appeals from the action and judgment of this Lodge in the matter of charges preferred against him by Bro. _____, on the following grounds:

1st.—The evidence was insufficient to sustain such charge or the report of the Committee thereon in this—(here insert wherein the evidence was insufficient).

2nd.—Errors committed at the trial, and by the Trial Committee, as follows:—(here insert errors complained of).

Dated at _____ the _____ day of _____ 19__

RULES OF ORDER FOR SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA

I. As soon as the presiding officer shall have taken the chair the officers and brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in ancient prescribed form.

II. The order of procedure after opening shall be according to the Order of Business provided by the Ritual or according to the following Order of Business:—

1. Calling the roll of officers.
2. Receiving and referring to an Examining Committee the Visiting Cards or Official Certificates of intending visitors.
3. Reading and approving the minutes of the last preceding meeting.
4. Receiving and disposing of report from the Visiting Committee or from other brothers knowing of any brother being sick or in distress.
5. Receiving accounts and referring them to the Finance Committee.
6. Receiving applications for membership and referring them to Committees on Character.
7. Receiving and disposing of communications.
8. Receiving and disposing of report from the Financial Secretary (receipts of the previous meeting, semi-annual report),

from the Treasurer (amount at the credit of the several funds) and from any other officer.

9. Receiving and disposing of reports from any Standing or Special Committee other than the Visiting Committee or Committee on Character.
10. Receiving reports from Committees on Character, and balloting on applications for membership.
11. Receiving and balloting on applications for degrees.
(The presiding officer may declare recess to allow payment of dues).
12. Introducing affiliating members, initiating candidates for membership, and conferring degrees.
13. Unfinished business, in order of priority at former meeting.
14. New business.
15. The nomination, election and installation of officers.
16. Good and welfare of the Order.
17. Closing the Lodge in prescribed form.

III. By vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting on motion to such effect at any regular meeting, any part of the Orders of Business prescribed in Rule II. hereof may be rearranged for the remainder of said meeting only.

IV. A member offering a motion shall do so in writing if the presiding officer, the Secretary or the Lodge so request.

V. A question not regularly moved and seconded shall not be put by the presiding officer, neither shall any question be open for

consideration until put by the presiding officer; and when put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

1. To adjourn;
2. To lay on the table;
3. To put the previous question;
4. To postpone;
5. To refer;
6. To amend;
7. To substitute.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order herein stated; and the first, second and third thereof shall be decided without debate.

VI. The previous question shall be put by the presiding officer only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the members of the Lodge present, and shall then always be put in the words following: "Shall the question be now put?" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending immediately before such call for the previous question may have been made.

VII. If the voice of the Lodge taken pursuant to such call for the previous question be in the affirmative, the presiding officer shall thereupon forthwith put to vote the question so pending immediately before such call, and shall allow no amendment or further debate thereon; and, if the vote of the Lodge be in the negative, the presiding officer shall thereby be precluded from putting to vote during the remainder of the current term, the question so pending as aforesaid.

VIII. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, and the longest or latest time proposed.

IX. Each member shall have the privilege of speaking twice on any question to speak more than twice on the same question shall require the permission of the presiding officer.

X. Brothers not members of the Lodge may address the Lodge after having received the permission of the presiding officer to do so.

XI. A brother intending to speak on a question shall rise in his place and respectfully address the presiding officer, shall confine his remarks to the question, and shall avoid personalities; should more than one brother rise to speak at the same time, the presiding officer shall determine which shall be entitled to the floor.

XII. The presiding officer or any member may call a brother to order while speaking; in such case the debate shall be suspended forthwith and the brother so called to order shall not proceed until the point of order thus raised shall have been determined, nor speak upon such point of order unless it be to make necessary explanation or to appeal from the decision of the chair.

XIII. If required by the presiding officer to do so, a brother who may have been called to order for manifestation of temper or of improper feeling shall apologize to the Lodge or to any aggrieved brother or brothers; and unless specially permitted by the presiding officer to do so, he shall not speak again on the question pending, except to explain or to apologize.

XIV. While in the chair, the presiding officer shall neither move nor second any motion, nor take part in any debate except in case of appeal from his decision.

XV. In all cases where a member may appeal from the decision of the chair he shall use the words following and none other, unless it be to make necessary explanation:—"Noble Grand, I respectfully appeal from the decision of the chair to the Lodge"; after such explanation by the presiding officer as he may deem necessary, the Lodge shall proceed forthwith to consider and to vote upon the question which the presiding officer shall put: "Will the Lodge sustain the decision of the chair?"

XVI. Every member of the Lodge present, if qualified to vote, is obliged to vote on all questions, unless excused by the Lodge; and no particular number of votes is necessary so long as a quorum be present.

XVII. Any member may require the division of a question if the sense admit of it.

XVIII. Upon the call of two or more members, the yeas and nays on any question shall be taken and recorded.

XIX. After any question, except that of indefinite postponement of the previous question shall have been decided, any two members who shall have voted on the prevailing side may move, either at the same or at the next succeeding regular meeting, for a reconsideration thereof, but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

XX. Any question decided by the Lodge shall not again be brought before it otherwise than by reconsideration as provided for in Rule XIX., except by notice, which notice shall not be receivable during the term in which such question shall have been decided, and which shall be required to be made at the regular meeting next preceding that of the proposed reconsideration.

XXI. The Lodge shall have no power to resolve itself at any time into Committee of the Whole.

XXII. Any and all questions not provided for in these Rules of Order shall be decided according to "Cushing's Manual."



The foregoing Constitution, Code of Procedure on Trials, and Rules of Order for the government of Subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, I.O.O.F., as adopted at the annual session of said Grand Lodge held in the City of Calgary on the 18th and 19th February, 1913, and amendments thereto, are hereby certified correct.

Grand Secretary.

April 1st, 1921.

The following Form has been adopted by the Lodge:

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S REPORT.

On Application of

For Membership In

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. NAME OF APPLICANT IN FULL.
Occupation, Age, Married or Single.2. State the approximate Weight, Height, Figure, General Appearance and Measurement of Chest on forced expiration and forced inspiration.3. Is he at this time in his ordinary state of health?4. Are there any indications of the disease of the organs of respiration?5. Are there any indications of disease of the heart and of the blood vessels?6. State the rate and other qualities of the pulse? Number of respirations per minute?7. Is he subject to cough, expectoration, difficulty in breathing, or palpitation?8. Has he ever had any disease of the brain, the muscular or nervous system?9. Has he ever had any disease of the abdominal or urinary organs?10. Have his parents, brothers or sisters, been afflicted with pulmonary or other hereditary diseases? State particulars?11. Are his parents living? If so how old are they? What is their state of health? If not living, at what ages and of what diseases did they die?12. Are there any indications that would lead you to suppose that the applicant leads or has led other than a sober and temperate life?13. Has he now, or has he ever had, any serious disease, personal injury, the loss of any limb, or rupture? If so, has it permanently affected his constitution?14. Has he at any time had Paralysis, Apoplexy, Insanity, Rheumatism, or any Organic Disease?15. Has he had the smallpox?16. Has he been successfully vaccinated?17. Has he ever failed to pass a successful medical examination?18. Do you consider the applicant's health good and do you recommend that he be admitted? | |
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.....Medical Examiner.

BY-LAWS
OF
CRESCENT LODGE
No. 81
I. O. O. F.

Crescent Heights - Calgary



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Crescent Lodge No. 81

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1 This Lodge shall be known as Crescent Lodge, No. 81, Crescent Heights, Calgary.

MEETINGS.

2. This Lodge shall hold its regular meetings every Thursday evening commencing at 8 o'clock.

DEGREES

3. The Initiatory Degree shall be conferred only on the fourth Thursday of each month. The First Degree only on the first Thursday of each month; the Second Degree only on the second Thursday of each month; the Third Degree only on the third Thursday of each month; provided, however, that the above may be changed for any one meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting.

ADMISSION FEES

(Section 76 of constitution. The cost of physician's certificate of medical examination accompanying application for membership in this Lodge shall, in all cases be paid by the applicant.)

4. Every person admitted to this Lodge by Initiation, by deposit of Dismissal Certificate, or as an Ancient Oddfellow, shall be required to pay, previous to admission, accompanied by a certificate of medical examination, a fee according to the following schedule:

From the age of 21 years to 29 years inclusive	\$ 10.00
From the age of 30 years to 35 years, inclusive	15.00
From the age of 36 years to 39 years, inclusive	20.00
From the age of 40 years to 44 years, inclusive	20.00
Plus \$2.00 per year for each year or part thereof more than the age of 39 years.	
From the age of 45 years to 49 years, inclusive	\$ 30.00
Plus \$4.00 per year for each year or part thereof, more than the age of 44 years.	
From the age of 50 years	\$ 45.00
Plus \$6.00 per year, or part thereof, more than the age of 49 years.	
By deposit of unexpired withdrawal card	\$ 2.00
By reinstatement within one year after date of suspension for non-payment of dues	12.00
By Transfer Certificate according to Article 133 of the Constitution	

The fee for Reinstatement and Withdrawal Card in accordance with the terms of Article 126 of the Constitution shall be \$10.00 plus the cost of Withdrawal Card.

DUES.

5. The yearly dues of this Lodge shall be \$10.00; \$2.50 per quarter, payable quarterly in advance

on the first meeting nights in January, April, July and October, respectively.

OTHER CHARGES.

6. The fee to be charged to each candidate for the First, Second and Third Degrees shall be for each degree \$4.00. This fee must be deposited with the Financial Secretary before any brother can be balloted for to obtain a certificate entitling him to receive such degree or degrees, but it shall be returned by the Financial Secretary, should any such candidate be rejected. The fee to be charged for Visiting and Withdrawal Certificate shall be 50c each.

SALARIES OF ELECTIVE AND APPOINTED OFFICERS.

7. The following officers shall receive the salary as shown herein, i.e., the Recording Secretary shall receive \$1.00 per night for his services, the Financial Secretary shall receive \$1.00 per night for his services; the Treasurer shall receive \$25.00 per annum for his services as such; the Warden shall receive 50c per night for his services on each night that he fills his office as such; and the Pianist shall receive 50c per night for his services on each night that he fills his office as such, at regular meetings or otherwise.

DUTIES OF WARDEN.

8. It shall be the duty of the warden to care for the regalia and paraphernalia, and at the close of each session to replace same in a careful way, and

also to arrange the room for conferring degrees. He shall receive for his services the sum of 50c per night for such nights as he performs his duties.

PIANIST.

9. The Noble Grand shall at the installation of officers, appoint a Pianist whose duties it shall be to preside at the piano at each session of the Lodge. He shall receive for his services at each session at which he presides, the sum as provided for in Section 7 of these By-Laws.

CONTINGENT FUND.

10. That 5 per cent. of dues when paid be placed to credit of the Contingent Fund to be expended in the payment of necessary and proper obligations which every Lodge must meet and for which purpose under existing laws it cannot expend its regular funds.

SICK BENEFITS

11. Any brother, who shall have been a member of this Lodge for a period of not less than one calendar month and who shall have attained the Degree of Truth, and who shall be in good standing in this Lodge, if rendered incapable of following his usual or other attainable occupation by reason of sickness or disability, not proceeding from immoral conduct on his part, shall be entitled to receive from this Lodge for the term of such sickness or disability, a sick benefit as follows, that is to say:

For the first full week, and for the next succeeding twenty-five weeks of continuous sickness, or disability, a sum of \$5.00 per week.

For the next succeeding twenty-six weeks of continuous sickness or disability, a sum of \$2.00 per week.

FUNERAL EXPENSES.

12. On the decease of any member of this Lodge, who, at the time of the commencement of the illness or disability which resulted in his death, was entitled under clause 11 of these by-laws, to sick benefits, there shall be allowed the sum of seventy-five dollars (\$75) towards funeral expenses actually incurred.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' BENEFITS.

13. Upon the decease of any member of this Lodge, who at the time of the commencement of the illness or disability which resulted in his death, was entitled under clause 11 of these by-laws, to sick benefits, there shall be paid to his widow or orphan children if there be any under the age of twenty-one years, from the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, benefits as follows: Such sums as this Lodge may see fit to give, as the case may require, during the period she remains his widow, such benefit ceasing in the case of such orphan children on attaining the age of 21 years should his widow die previously.

REGISTER.

14. This Lodge shall keep a register in the ante-room, and it shall be the duty of the outside guardian, in addition to his duties prescribed in the charge book, to require each and every member and visiting brother to sign their names in the register before entering the Lodge room, at all regular or special meetings of this Lodge, which they may attend.

GENERAL.

15. Every brother upon his admission to this Lodge in any manner, shall give his place of residence to the Financial Secretary, and whenever he changes his residence, he shall notify the same officer of the change.

AMENDMENTS.

16. No motion to amend or repeal these By-laws, or any part thereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read in this Lodge at three consecutive meetings, nor shall the consideration of, or voting upon, any motion be postponed after such third reading, unless by a majority vote of the Lodge, nor shall such motion be declared to prevail, unless upon the final division thereof, two-thirds of the brothers present and voting shall vote in favor of the same.

These By-laws shall include Order of Business and Rules of Order as prescribed in general laws from page 72 to page 77 inclusive.

W. G. ROUGH, N.G.
JOHN J. WEIER, Rec. Secy.

Approved as amended
August 1, 1921:

J. J. B. LITTLE, P.G.
Chairman Com.
D. F. CHRISTIE, P.G.

Certified
August 5, 1921:

O. E. TISDALE, G. Secy.



